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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. <b>09/644,923</b>	Applicant(s) <b>BURKETT</b>
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Type: a) Telephonic      b) Video Conference  
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes    e) No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: proposed amended claims.

Identification of prior art discussed:

None

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The proposed claims for an amendment after final were discussed. The claims were considered as involving new issues requiring further consideration by the examiner, and would not be entered. The applicant will formally file a similar amendment next week.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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For: Trailer-Mounted Crane )  
Apparatus )

AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2002  
wherein the Examiner rejected claims 1-25.

In The Claims:

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A compact mobile crane apparatus, comprising:
  - a trailer supported on at least one pair of wheels;
  - a hydraulically operated crane having a center post and a boom,  
said center post supported to extend upwardly from a central region of said  
trailer, said central region substantially centrally located both longitudinally and  
laterally, and said boom extendable outwardly from said center post; and
  - a crane operator control station carried by said trailer.

Please amend claim 11 to read as follows:

11. (Twice Amended) A compact trailer-mounted crane apparatus, comprising:

a trailer supported from a ground surface on at least two wheels;

a hydraulically operated crane arm telescopically extendable from a post, said central region substantially centrally located both longitudinally and laterally, said post mounted to said trailer to extend upwardly from a central region of said trailer, said crane arm extendable from said post ;

a hydraulic crane power unit mounted to said trailer for supplying pressurized hydraulic fluid to said crane arm;

a control panel for said hydraulic power unit mounted on said trailer; and

an operator seat supported from said trailer and arranged to face said control panel.

17. (Amended) A compact mobile crane apparatus, comprising:

a trailer supported on [at least] one pair of road transportation wheels mounted on a common axle; and

a hydraulically operated crane having a center post and a boom, said center post supported to extend upwardly from a central region of said trailer and said boom extendable outwardly from said center post, said center post being located substantially equidistant between said wheels.

Respectfully submitted,

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